

**Summary of Applicant's Response**

The Applicant wishes to thank Examiner Verbitsky for the interview. The interview summary is reflected in amended claim 18 and new claims 21 and 22.

5 The Applicant respectfully suggests that MPEP 713.04 is fulfilled by the claim amendments.

The Applicant canceled claims 1, 4, 5 and 6. The Applicant amended claims 2, 7, 8, 10, 11 and 13. The Applicant added new claims 21 and 22.

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In addition to the Examiner's comments, the Applicant further amended the independent claims to overcome the Office Action claim rejections made under 103(a) for the combination of Fraden (U.S. Patent Number 5,795,670) and O'Hara (U.S. Patent Number 4,662,360). The amended claims identified the transverse  
15 portion relative to the longitudinal axis, as shown in Figure 6 of the present invention. The transverse portion abuts the distal end of the thermometer and the thermometer is spaced apart from the film at a predetermined space. Support for amended claims is found at paragraphs [0047-0049 and 0057] and Figure 6, of U.S. Patent Application 2006/0159155 A1 – the present invention.

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New claims 21 and 22 are supported by the current specification. For new claim 21, the proximal face of the transverse portion is found at Figure 6. The Applicant add element 50a to specifically identify the proximal face, as shown in attachment 1. The amended specification and updated Figure 6 is found in a  
25 separate amendment after final filed at the same time as this response.

The Applicant would like to thank the Examiner for her time.

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